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On graphs with maximum size in their switching classes

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Abstract: In his PhD thesis [*Structural aspects of switching classes*, Leiden Institute of Advanced Computer Science, 2001] Hage posed the following problem: “characterize the maximum size graphs in switching classes”. These are called *s-maximal* graphs. In this paper, we study the properties of such graphs. In particular, we show that any graph with sufficiently large minimum degree is *s-maximal*, we prove that join of two *s-maximal* graphs is also an *s-maximal* graph, we give complete characterization of triangle-free *s-maximal* graphs and non-hamiltonian *s-maximal* graphs. We also obtain other interesting properties of *s-maximal* graphs.

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